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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

 $In \ response to the \ Office \ Action \ mailed \ December \ 14,2006, \ the \ Applicant \\ respectfully \ requests \ the \ Examiner \ to \ consider \ the \ following \ remarks:$

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.